



## DEPARTMENT OF TECHNOLOGY & ENTERPRISE BUSINESS SOLUTIONS

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### MINUTES OF TFCG MEETING

To: Distribution

From: TFCG Staff (CTC Technology & Energy)

A meeting of the Transmission Facility Coordinating Group (TFCG) was held on December 6, 2023. The following people were in attendance:

#### **MEMBERS**

Marjorie Williams	(via video)	TFCG Chair
Patricia Welford	(via video)	DPS
Daryl Braithwaite	(via video)	City of Takoma Park
Wayne Anderson	(via video)	WSSC
Benjamin Berbert	(via video)	M-NCPPC
Lynn Lewis	(via video)	M-NCPPC
Carina Gonzales	(via video)	MCPS
Seamus McNamara	(via video)	OMB
Gerry Adcock	(via video)	TEBS – Public Safety Radio

#### **STAFF**

Shawn Thompson	(via video)	CTC
Julie Elias	(via video)	CTC
Lisa Lewis	(via video)	DTS
Heather Elliot	(via video)	DTS

#### **OTHER ATTENDEES**

Javad Shayan	(via video)	DPS
Debbie Spielberg	(via video)	County Executive's office

**Action Item: Meeting Minutes November 1, 2023**

**Motion:** Seamus McNamara moved that the November minutes be approved. Gerry Adcock seconded the motion. Patricia Wolford was not at the November meeting and abstained, and the motion was otherwise unanimously approved.

**Consent Agenda**

1. ***Application Number:*** 2023092198 ***Type:*** Colocation ***Received (date):*** 9/15/2023

***Revised:*** 11/6/2023

***Applicant:*** NB+C on behalf of AT&T Wireless

***Site Name/Location:*** Layhill Rd/14301 Layhill Rd, Silver Spring

***Zoning Standard:*** EOF-1.5, H-75 ***Property Owner:*** Layhill Associates LLC

***Description:*** AT&T proposes to install 1 antenna, 2 radio heads, and one equipment cabinet on existing telecommunications facility.

***Tower Coordinator Recommendation:*** Recommended. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

<https://montgomerycountytfcg.s3.amazonaws.com/Applications/MC2023092198+Application.pdf>

2. ***Application Number:*** 2023092200 ***Type:*** Minor Modification ***Received (date):*** 9/8/2023

***Revised:*** 9/20/2023

***Revised:*** 11/7/2023

***Applicant:*** Network Building + Consulting on behalf of T-Mobile

***Site Name/Location:*** Pepco 102-S/8700 Snouffer School Rd (block of), Gaithersburg

***Zoning Standard:*** R-200 ***Property Owner:*** Pepco

***Description:*** T-Mobile is removing (3) existing Sprint antennas, (3) existing Sprint ground mounted RRHs and all the associated Sprint equipment cabinets on the ground. T-Mobile is adding (9) antennas and (6) RRH(s) on existing tower structure. T-Mobile is adding (2) new equipment cabinets on the ground.

***Tower Coordinator Recommendation:*** Recommended. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

<https://montgomerycountytfcg.s3.amazonaws.com/Applications/MC2023092200+Application.pdf>

3. ***Application Number:*** 2023102222 ***Type:*** Colocation ***Received (date):*** 10/25/2023

***Revised:*** 11/27/2023

***Revised:*** 11/29/2023

***Applicant:*** Site Link Wireless LLC on behalf of Verizon Wireless

***Site Name/Location:*** Goldsboro Rd Site/6400 Goldsboro Rd, Bethesda

***Zoning Standard:*** CRT-0.75 C-0.75 R-0.25 H-35 ***Property Owner:*** 6400 Goldsboro LLC

***Description:*** Verizon Wireless is adding (9) new antennas and (9) RRHs on the existing building structure. Verizon is adding (2) new proposed equipment cabinets on the ground.

***Tower Coordinator Recommendation:*** Recommended. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

<https://montgomerycountytfcg.s3.amazonaws.com/Applications/MC2023102222+Application.pdf>

Patricia Wolford discussed communication received regarding special exceptions for item #1 on the consent agenda. She noted that when all applications go through zoning review, DPS always checks for existing special exceptions and if they have any bearing on the application in front of us or for any conditions required to look at. The application in question in the comments (2023092198) has 2 special exceptions on it (S-2492 and S-2494) both dated to 2002. Patricia Wolford explained that at the time, the property was zoned OM, and the zoning code allowed for installation at a minimum height of 30'. The proposal at the time was to install on a 25' rooftop and so the special exceptions were necessary. Now, the site is zoned EOF, which has a minimum 20' threshold, and thus since this application meets the current code, the special exceptions were not needed.

Patricia Wolford made a motion to recommend the consent agenda. Seamus McNamara seconded the motion, and the motion to recommend the consent agenda was unanimously approved.

### **Regular Agenda**

1. ***Application Number:*** 2023052155 ***Type:*** Colocation ***Received (date):*** 5/15/2023

***Revised:*** 7/21/2023

***Revised:*** 11/27/2023

***Applicant:*** Crown Castle Fiber LLC on behalf of T-Mobile

***Site Name/Location:*** Pepco 802423-370300/1113 Chickasaw Dr, Silver Spring

***Zoning Standard:*** R-60 ***Property Owner:*** Montgomery County ROW

***Description:*** Install New

-Ericsson 4435 Radio (1)

-Ericsson 4402 Radio (2)

-MI-3000-2043 Triplexer (1)

-Charles Shroud SH52-991

-Kathrein 84010602 Antenna (1)

***Tower Coordinator Recommendation:*** Recommended. Recommendation is subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

<https://montgomerycountytfcg.s3.amazonaws.com/Applications/MC2023052155+Application+and+Report.pdf>

Julie Elias summarized the application.

Gerry Adcock made a motion to recommend, and Ben Berbert seconded the motion. The motion to recommend was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next TFCG meeting is scheduled for January 3, 2024, at 2 p.m.